(a) whether the Government are aware of the following notification published in the Fort St. George Gazette:—

"No subject of an Indian State can be employed in a subordinate service under the Government of Madras whether in an acting capacity or on probation without the previous sanction of the Government. Inclusion in a list issued by the Staff Selection Board will not be regarded as equivalent to the permission of the Government to employ such persons".

(b) whether the above notification had been brought to the attention of the Diwan by any (1) official of the State, (2) non-official; and if so,

(c) whether the correspondence with respect to this will be placed on the Table;

(d) who are the officials and non-officials who brought the above notification to the attention of the Government?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) Yes.

(b) Yes.

(c) No public purpose is served by placing it on the Table.

(d) The Comptroller of Accounts and some non-official Members of this Council.

Orders on certain resolutions passed at a meeting at Kunnamkulam.

210. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to inform, with reference to question No. 59 of the Legislative Session of 1105, whether the Government have fully considered resolutions Nos. 2, 3 and 4; and if so, what orders have been passed thereon?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Resolution No. 2—Still under the consideration of Government.

Resolution No. 3—Orders have been issued complying with the request.

Resolution No. 4—The question is left to be taken up by the Municipality when Kunnamkulam is constituted as such.

Repairing a tank in Pazhanji.

211. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to inform:—

(a) whether the Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer had received in 1104 from Mr. Cheruvathur Kurian Chakkunni and others of Pazhanji, a petition for repairing a tank used for bathing and for providing another tank for the same purpose; and if so,

(b) whether the requests have been sanctioned; and if not,

(c) what action has been taken with reference to the question and how has it been disposed of?

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Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—(a) Yes.

(b) and (c). The petitioners were informed that, as the tank was under the control of the Panchayat Department, they might approach the Superintendent of Agriculture and Panchayats in the matter.

Mr. R. Govinda Menon's brochure to the M. L. Cs.

212. Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state :—

Whether their attention has been drawn to a brochure, dated 29th Dhanu 1105, and addressed to the Members of the Legislative Council by Mr R. Govinda Menon; and if so, with what result?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—A copy has been received and recorded.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—This brochure speaks against Diwan Mr. Vijayaraghavachari and Diwan Mr. Narayana Ayyar. If such a matter is allowed to go unchecked, it will affect the prestige of the Government, Has the Government considered whether any action is necessary?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—This brochure was taken notice of, but no further action was thought necessary on the matter.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—It is defamatory.

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—They recorded the matter after going through the whole thing. Nothing more was thought desirable to be taken.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—You must consider the persons accused, they are high personages. The public would think otherwise.

President.—Government having considered all these did not consider itworthwhile to proceed against Mr. R. Govinda Menon. If anything comes out of it, we will see.

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